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temporaries. He had a high sense of the dignity of his great office and of its importance. For above twenty years he sat upon the Bench, and during that long period he did honestly strive to do right to all manner of people, after the laws and usages of the realm, without fear or favor, affection or ill-will."

Without being an Anglo-maniac, one can but envy a system of legal administration which concentrates its judicial force, makes the honors and emoluments of the Bench a prize sufficient to tempt the leaders of the Bar, which divorces elevation thereto from the control of factional or party politics, and secures a tenure of office which places the Ermine far beyond the reach of malign influences which menace our system.

EDWARD P. ALLINSON.

AMERICAN AND ENGLISH DECISIONS IN EQUITY. Volume I., First Series. (Annual.) Notes by HENRY BUDD. Philadelphia: M. Murphy. 1895.

Mr. Budd's modest preface to this volume gives but little hint of the magnitude and value of the work. It is difficult to overestimate its usefulness to the profession on either side of the Bar. Reports of fifty-eight cases are printed, and to each one a treatise on the subject is appended in the form of "notes." It is as comprehensive as could be needed or should be expected in a work of this kind. All of the cases are recent ones, being of no earlier date than 1894, and each one singularly well-known in its particular branch. More than seven thousand citations are given by the annotator, but these are all carefully indexed. The system adopted is most excellent; the subject treated heads the case, printed in bold-faced type; the name of the case follows, after which is given the date of the decision and a reference to the official report of the case. At the conclusion of the report the annotation will be found, where concise statement and lavish citation combine to give a brief of argument to the lawyer almost "readymade."

A word in recognition of the publisher's success in making up the book should not be omitted; the type, the paper and binding are of the best, making the publication a credit to

Mr. Murphy, and his efforts to make the work ornamental must be conceded to have been as successful as Mr. Budd's labor to make it useful.

W. D. NEILSON.

ILLUSTRATIVE CASES UPON EQUITY JURISPRUDENCE. By NORMAN FETTER. Paper. St. Paul: West Publishing Company. 1895.

Mr. Fetter has made an excellent choice of cases illustrating the several heads of Equity Jurisprudence embraced in the collection. It is, perhaps, sufficient for the purpose of this publication that the cases are not more fully reported, and that the syllabus of each case is omitted. These would be sources of regret, but for the fact that the index and table of contents afford such reference which, in most instances, will answer all practical purposes. We do not recall a similar publication, and for this reason alone, the book is apt to receive a welcome from the Bench and the Bar. The plan of the work is simple, and the gleanings are of a very wide field.

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